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I am the Business manager of IBEW Local 1837 and we represent over 700 front line workers at CMP. We oppose this bill because we see it as redundant and expensive. It is redundant because the utility companies and ISO New England already do extensive planning and coordinating of transmission, distribution and generation for the electric grid. The utility companies are already required to submit 10 year plans. The Maine PUC and the Public advocate are the proper place to handle these types of issues.

This bill will add costs. Where is the money coming from to pay a seven member board of directors ? How much will it cost to hire a professional staff ? How large will the staff be? This bill spends money to duplicate what is already being done.

Thank you,  
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